

**Forest Land- Thane**

Diversion of 0.9950 ha. (revised area 0.6886 ha.) Forest land under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for up gradation and development of Nature Trail in favour of Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation, Navi Mumbai at Village-Ghansoli, Taluka & Dist. Thane in the State of Maharashtra.

**Government of Maharashtra  
Revenue and Forest Department  
Government Order No.: FLD-1221/C.R.157/F-10  
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032.  
Date: 21.09.2023**

**Ref.:**

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/NC/I/ID-12910(73)/664/21-22, dt.30.07.2021.
- 2) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter FC-I/MH-238/2021-NGP/9119, dt. 31.12.2021.
- 3) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Thane/ID-12910(73)/193/2022-23, dt.25.04.2022.  
Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Thane/ID-12910(73)/1452/2021-22, dt.12.09.2022.
- 4) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter FC-I/MH-238/2021-NGP/10415, dt. 10.10.2022.
- 5) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Thane/ID-12910(73)/1861/2022-23, dt.19.10.2022.

**Order :**

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide his letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal for diversion of 0.9950 ha. Forest land for up gradation and development of Nature Trail in favour of Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation, Navi Mumbai at Village-Ghansoli, Taluka & Dist. Thane in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the Government of India after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.2, accorded 'In-principle' approval to divert the 0.9950 ha. (revised area 0.6886 ha.) forest Land for the above project under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfillment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letters under reference No. 3 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, the Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur, vide under reference no. 4 accorded 'Final approval' to divert the 0.9950 ha. (revised area 0.6886 ha.) Forest land in favour of Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation, Navi Mumbai for up gradation and development of Nature Trail at Ghansoli, Taluka & Dist. Thane under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.5 has requested State Government to issue diversion order in the matter;

NOW, therefore, Government of Maharashtra hereby directs that the area of 0.9950 ha. (revised area 0.6886 ha.) consisting of Reserve forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No. 1 and as per details given in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation, Navi Mumbai for up gradation and development of Nature Trail at Ghansoli Taluka & Dist. Thane.

The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letter dated 31.12.2021 and dated 10.10.2022 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. Deputy Conservator of Forest, Thane should ensure that fulfillment of condition No. xii & xiii mentioned in the letter dated 10.10.2022 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur before giving possession of the forest land to the user agency.
2. User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' and 'final approval' letters of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, referred above. The Conservator of Forests (T), Thane shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency and shall furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
3. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Regional Office, MoEF&CC letters dated 31.12.2021 and dated 10.10.2022, in this order and Rules & Guidelines made / issued under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, shall amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
4. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the Conservator of Forests (T), Thane shall report through the State Government to the Regional Officer (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in guidelines under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

**SCHEDULE**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Village</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Sur. No.</b>	<b>Forest Area (ha.)</b>	<b>Legal Status of Land</b>
1	Nature Trail including open drain channel	Ghansoli	Thane	528 (Old Survey No. 522/A)	0.9950 (revised area 0.6886)	Reserved Forest
2	Steps with SS Railing including Open drain channel					
3	Gazebos and resting zones					
4	Pond and surrounding beautification					

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

**(Ganesh Jadhao)**

**Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra**

**Copy to:**

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi
2. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
6. APCCF& Chief Executive Officer (Maha-CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
8. Collector, Thane.
9. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Thane.
10. Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Thane.
11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane.

12. Executive Engineer (Gh), Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation, Navi Mumbai.

13. Select File, Desk F-10.

- I. Collector- Thane, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Thane and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.
- II. Executive Engineer (Gh.) Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation, Navi Mumbai, is hereby directed that they should publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No. etc., along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the State Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Thane & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane.
- III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.